

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appellants : Thomas Thoroe SCHERB et al. Confirmation No.: 8138
Appln. No. : 10/743,461 Group Art Unit: 1731
Filed : December 23, 2003 Examiner: Eric J. Hug
For : MACHINE AND METHOD FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF A
FIBER MATERIAL WEB

RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Pursuant to the Interview Summary of April 19, 2007, the period for providing a formal reply extending one-month from the mailing date, i.e., by May 21, 2007 (May 19, 2007 being a Saturday), Applicant submits herewith the following substance of the Interview.

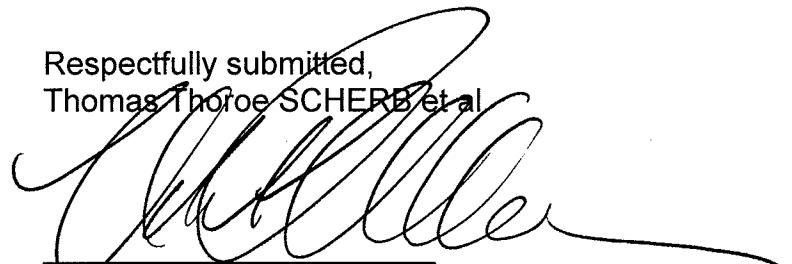
In a telephonic interview with Examiner Hug on April 19, 2007, the Examiner's withdrawal of the rejection by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences under 37 CFR 41.50(b) and the reinstatement of the rejections previously decided by the Board were discussed. In particular, it was agreed the Board's rejection was overcome by Applicants' January 3, 2007 response, and that the additional rejections presented in the January 19, 2007 Office Action were moot as already decided by the Board.

Accordingly, as all pending rejections have been overcome, it was agreed the allowance of the instant application is appropriate. Moreover, in view of the Examiner's

indication of allowability of the instant application, it is submitted no further response is necessary from Applicants, and the Notice of Allowance will be issued in accordance with the Interview Summary.

Therefore, Applicants await the Notice of Allowance from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in due course.

Respectfully submitted,
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